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SUBJECT: PROSECUTION DEMANDS 20 YEARS FOR OEI TJOE TAT

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1. TRIAL OF FORMER MINISTER OF STATE OEI TJOE TAT WAS RESUMED FEB 25 WITH PROSECUTION DEMANDING 20-YEAR JAIL SENTENCE MINUS TIME ALREADY DETAINED (OEI TJOE TAT HAS BEEN DETAINED SINCE 1966.). PROSECUTION CHARGED THAT DEFENDANT HAD BEEN ONE OF ARCHITECTS OF ABORTIVE COMMUNIST COUP IN 1965, SPECIFICALLY CHARGING HIM WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR OCT. 4 STATEMENT ISSUED BY PARTINDO PARTY WHICH REFLECTED COMMUNIST VIEWS. PROSECUTOR FURTHER CHARGED THAT OEI TJOE TAT HAD ABUSED HIS POWERS AS MINISTER OF STATE TO SERVE THE INTERESTS AND DESIGNS OF HIS PARTY, AND NOTED ABSENCE OF ANY FEELINGS OF REGRET ON PART OF DEFENDANT.

2. COMMENT: TRIAL HAS NOW RECESSED UNTIL MARCH 3 WHEN DEFENDANT WILL MAKE HIS PLEA. THE CHARGES AGAINST OEI TJOE TAT SEEM TO BE BASED MORE ON HIS PRO-COMMUNIST VIEWS THAT UPON SPECIFIC ACTS WHICH WERE TO CONTRARY TO LAW WHEN COMMITTED.
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